

United States Government

Department of Energy
Bonneville Power Administration

memorandum

DATE: January 22, 2004

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: KEC-4

SUBJECT: 2004 Annual National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Planning Summary

TO: Beverly Cook, Assistant Secretary
Environment, Safety and Health

Attached please find Bonneville Power Administration's (Bonneville's) 2004 annual NEPA planning summary. The summary identifies the status of ongoing environmental assessments (EAs, Table 1); ongoing environmental impact statements (EISs, Table 2); and EISs we expected to commence during the next 24 months (Table 3). At this time, we do not foresee commencing any EAs during the next 12 months. However, it is likely that Bonneville will prepare other EAs or EISs not currently foreseeable.

Also, as requested in your December 19, 2003, memorandum, Bonneville has evaluated whether a site-wide EIS would facilitate future NEPA compliance efforts. We find it would not, because Bonneville does not manage the type of site intended by the Department as the subject of a site-wide EIS.



Therese B. Lamb, Vice President
Environment, Fish and Wildlife

Attachment

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Bonneville Power Administration

2004 Annual Department of Energy NEPA Planning Summary

TABLE 1: Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities — Environmental Assessments

Title and Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated NEPA Milestones	Description
Bonneville-Alcoa Access Road Project DOE/EA-1467 Skamania County, Washington	\$20,000	EA Determination: 1/29/03 Transmittal to State: 7/24/03 EA Approval: 2/04* FONSI: 2/04*	Re-establish ground access to existing transmission facilities.
Nisqually Transmission Line Relocation Project DOE/EA-1485 Pierce County, Washington	\$120,000	EA Determination: 8/25/03 Transmittal to State: 10/3/03 EA Approval: 9/04* FONSI: 9/04*	Relocate two miles of transmission line corridor off the Nisqually Indian Reservation and the Fort Lewis Military Reservation.
Methow Valley Irrigation District Screening Project DOE/EA-1486 Okanogan County, Washington	\$40,000	EA Determination: 10/14/03 Transmittal to State: 12/4/03 EA Approval: 2/04* FONSI: 2/04*	Replace irrigation system fish screens in the Twisp and Methow Rivers.

Total number of ongoing EAs: 3 Total Estimated Cost: \$180,000

* Projected

TABLE 2: Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities — Environmental Impact Statements

Title and Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated NEPA Milestones	Description
Maiden Wind Farm DOE/EIS-0333 Benton and Yakima Counties, Washington	\$800,000	EIS Determination: 6/5/01 NOI: 6/12/01 Scoping Meetings: 6/26/01 DEIS NOA: 3/29/02 Hearings: 4/23/02 FEIS NOA: 1/3/03 ROD: Unknown	Provide transmission services for proposed new 150- to 494-MW wind turbine and possibly purchase power.
Northeast Oregon Hatchery – Grande Ronde and Imnaha Spring Chinook Projects DOE/EIS-0340 Wallowa County, Oregon	\$500,000	EIS Determination: 11/14/01 NOI: 11/14/01 Scoping Meetings: 1/15-17/02 DEIS NOA: 5/12/03 Hearings: 6/9-12/03 FEIS NOA: 3/04* ROD: 4/04*	Improve existing and add new chinook salmon hatchery facilities.
Wanapa Energy Center Interconnection DOE/EIS-0342 Umatilla County, Oregon	\$25,000	EIS Determination: 10/22/01 NOI: 10/22/01 Scoping Meetings: 10/29-11/6/01 DEIS NOA: 11/14/03 Hearings: 12/3-4/03 FEIS NOA: 3/04* ROD: 4/04*	Provide transmission services for new 1200-MW combined cycle combustion turbine proposed by Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, <i>et al.</i> Bureau of Indian Affairs lead agency, BPA cooperating agency.
COB Energy Facility Interconnection DOE/EIS-0343 Klamath County, Oregon	\$100,000	EIS Determination: 1/4/02 NOI: 1/4/02 Scoping Meetings: 1/15/02 DEIS NOA: 11/28/03 Hearings: 1/22/04 FEIS NOA: 4/04* ROD: 6/04*	Provide transmission services for new 1160-MW combined cycle combustion turbine proposed by Peoples Energy Resources Corporation.

* Projected

TABLE 2: Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities – Environmental Impact Statements, continued

Title and Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated NEPA Milestones	Description
Salmon Creek Project DOE/EIS-0346 Okanagon County, Oregon	\$500,000	EIS Determination: 1/22/02 NOI: 2/04/02 Scoping Meetings: 2/21-22/02 DEIS NOA: 2/04* Hearings: 4/04* FEIS NOA: 2/05* ROD: 3/05*	Enhance fish habitat, fish passage, and increase stream flows in lower Salmon Creek, tributary to the Okanogan River.
BP Cherry Point Cogeneration Project Interconnection DOE/EIS-0349 Thurston County, Washington	\$125,000	EIS Determination: 5/18/02 NOI: 6/18/02 Scoping Meetings: 7/9/02 DEIS NOA: 9/19/03 Hearings: 10/1/03 FEIS NOA: 4/04* ROD: 5/04*	Provide transmission services for new 720-MW combined cycle combustion turbine proposed by BP West Coast Products, LLC.
South Fork Flathead Watershed & Westslope Cutthroat Trout Conservation Project DOE/EIS-0353 Flathead County, Montana	\$200,000	EIS Determination: 7/19/02 NOI: 5/5/03 Scoping Meetings: 5/22/03 DEIS NOA: 4/04* Hearings: 5/04* FEIS NOA: 9/04* ROD: 10/04*	Remove exotic trout species from selected lakes in the South Fork of the Flathead River drainage and replace with genetically pure Westslope Cutthroat trout.
Transmission Business Policy DOE/EIS-0367 Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington	\$1,000,000	EIS Determination: 12/15/03 NOI: 12/22/03 Scoping Meetings: 1/13-15/04 DEIS NOA: 9/04* Hearings: 10/04* FEIS NOA: 6/05* ROD: 7/05*	Develop policies to guide management and operation of the Federal Columbia River Transmission System.
Total number of ongoing EISs: 8		Total Estimated Cost: \$3,250,000	

* Projected

TABLE 3: Environmental Impact Statements Expected to be Prepared in the Next 24 Months

Title and Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated NEPA Milestones	Description
Saddleback Wind Power Project Interconnection Skamania County, Washington	\$45,000	EIS Determination: 3/04* NOI: 3/04* Scoping Meeting: 4/04* DEIS NOA: 5/04* Hearings: 6/04* FEIS: 7/04* ROD: 8/4*	Provide transmission services for proposed new 70-MW wind energy project.

Total number of EISs to be prepared: 1

Total Estimated Cost: \$45,000

* Projected
